

## LOCAL ITEMS

About Our Town and Its People

Regular meeting of Doric chapter No. 75, O. E. S., Tuesday evening, Sept. 10. Ionia county association meeting will be held at Lyons Thursday, Sept. 12. Beattie Peterson, secretary.

When you buy your next cigar, be sure and call for "Black Seal."—Adv. Viola Dana in "Opportunity", Metro play at Empress Saturday.

Plate glass wind shields and Hartford headlight dimmer lenses. See our adv. Belding Lumber Co.—Adv. Judson Bradley of Ionia was a caller here Monday.

Mrs. Anna Haysmer, Miss Fern Haysmer, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Staines of Fenwick and Mrs. Sarah Thompson of Battle Creek were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Johnston Saturday.

Leonard Wood of Ionia visited relatives here a few days.

Leman Parney of Greenville spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Parney.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Urch and Mr. and Mrs. N. Johnston visited Greenville relatives Friday.

Mrs. Wm. Cannon and daughter, Ruth, of Grand Rapids were Monday guests of their parents, E. M. Parney and family.

Miss Nora Wood was at Alma a few days visiting relatives.

The Sunday guests at the M. Urch home were Mrs. Addie LaGrange of Lansing, Mrs. A. C. Hall, Mrs. Maggie Welch of this city.

Mrs. Wm. Huntley of Lansing called on friends and relatives here over Sunday.

Leon Forward lost the end of his thumb in the Brass works but is doing nicely.

Mrs. Bernice Mooney was a Monday guest of Mrs. E. M. Parney.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gleason and children were guests of their parents a few days, returning home Monday night.

The Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson were Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Brady and children and their aunt, Mrs. Emma Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Phillips were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stackus returned from Manton Friday where they visited relatives the past three weeks.

You cannot enjoy a good meal if you have indigestion. Mi-o-na stomach tablets are guaranteed by Wortley & French to relieve the worst case of stomach trouble. Advertisement.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flynn of Sylvester visited at the home of Archie Howard Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Urch of Durand returned home Saturday after visiting their father, M. Urch and family and sister, Mrs. Ansel Johnston and family a few days.

Mrs. F. LaGrange of Lansing is the guest of her children, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Forward and family.

Mrs. T. C. Gilmore, of Lansing was in the city, on Saturday, visiting with relatives and friends. Her son, Sergeant Glenn Gilmore, has arrived safe over in France. The Gilmore family were formerly of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Crosby of Greenville were down on Labor day to visit at the Duane Foss home and to take in the Labor day celebration.

Albert Salzman of Camp Custer, was home over Sunday and Labor day. Albert has been granted his final citizenship papers and feels like a regular Yankee now. He is a fine young man and makes a fine soldier.

Mark Osworth was an over Sunday and Labor day guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Osworth. Mark returned to his training detachment at Lansing Monday night.

Lieut. John Donovan of Camp Lee, Va., and Frank Donovan of Cleveland, O., were Sunday and Labor day visitors at the home of their father, John S. Donovan. John, Jr., looks mighty spic in his officer's uniform.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Essex of Grand Rapids were Labor day guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Essex.

Mrs. Fred Vanderpool of Grand Rapids came up Saturday and took her two children, who had been spending the summer with Grandma Whitford along home with her. They returned to Grand Rapids Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Canfield of Muskegon were Labor day guests at the home of her sister, Mrs. Fred Cornell and other relatives and friends.

F. D. Tolerton and wife returned to their home at Muskegon Tuesday afternoon after visiting here with Mrs. Chase and Ed. Carpenter over Sunday. Mrs. Chase returned to Muskegon with them to reside.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shrink at Harry Dimmick's home Thursday morning, August 29, a daughter, Mrs. Shrink was formerly Miss Rhea Welte and was here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Dimmick.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wheeler and son, Carelton, left here Saturday evening for Flint, wherethey visited over Sunday and Labor day at the homes of relatives and friends.

Wortley & French's is the place to buy Mi-o-na stomach tablets, the guaranteed treatment for indigestion. Advertisement.

Carleton Wheeler returned Saturday afternoon from a ten-day visit with his grandmother, at Bay City.

Charles Chadwick of the M. A. C. Training Detachment at Lansing came home Saturday evening for a two day visit with his wife and other relatives and friends. He returned Monday evening by motor, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur James and Mrs. Chadwick returning with him that night.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Heather, on Tuesday, Sept. 3, a 9-1-2 pound son. Dr. Dutt reports both mother and son as progressing fine.

Harry Evans, who is working in Muskegon, came home Sunday evening to spend Labor day with his family here.

Bert Moore and wife of Grand Rapids were over Sunday and Labor day guests of his mother, Mrs. Louise Moore and other relatives and friends.

Hal Buris and Sergeant Hugh Hessler, both of the M. A. C. Training Detachment were home over Sunday. Sergeant Hessler's home is at Rockford and they were the guests of Hal's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Burris of this city.

Lawrence Currie had the misfortune to re-break his right arm Sunday afternoon in the same place where it was broken a short time ago.

All those ladies who have not signed the national petition for woman suffrage and who wish to do so, should go to Lloyd's store, call for the petition and sign it, otherwise ladies, your cause may be lost, through an through an apparent indifference on your part.

Frank Rivenburgh and son of Flint, arrived in the city Monday morning for a short visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rivenburgh, sr., and also to see his sister, Miss Clara Rivenburgh, who has been ill for some time.

Mrs. Fred McCue went to Grand Rapids Tuesday morning to visit a week at the home of her mother and with other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Dossett returned to their home at Grand Rapids Monday night after having been the Labor day guests of relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stout and family of Merley were the Sunday guests of Rep. Fred L. Warner and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Orba McCoy of Detroit came up Saturday to visit a week or ten days at the home of relatives and friends here.

Harold Caldwell of Camp Custer was an over Sunday and Labor day guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Caldwell.

Harvey Currie received word last Monday that his sister, Mrs. Minnie Pickhaver was dying at Coldwater. Mrs. Pickhaver has been troubled with a cancer for some time and this is causing her death.

Miss Ruth Swain of Grand Rapids, who has been spending a week at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Minier, returned home on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Baty and children returned home Monday evening after having spent Labor day in this city as guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Baty. Steve is looking mighty good and just as happy as a boy did in the good old days when a bunch of us boys attended school here.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Chickering returned to their home at Muskegon on Tuesday after having spent a day at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Currie.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Allen at Middleton, on Labor day, a seven and one-half pound daughter, Mrs. Allen was formerly Miss Irma Hough of this city.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Engemann this Wednesday morning, an eight pound daughter. Dr. Dutt reports both mother and daughter as doing well and Pa Engemann felt so big that the man over in the boot factory had to take the door sills out of the tower entrance so that he could get in the building. Uncle Ed feels mighty big over the new niece also, we must confess.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrell Currie and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Grandy Lincoln of Muskegon returned home Tuesday evening after having spent Labor day with Truman Currie and other relatives and friends in this city.

Frank J. Luick shook the dust of the hometown from his shoes at 11:25 today when he left for the new home in Cleveland, and when asked if he was ever coming back, replied, "Oh, maybe, some time."

Husband and Wife Enlist.

We are in receipt of the following interesting item from a former local resident, now living at Butte, Mont., regarding Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Scott of that place. The article appeared in the Butte, Mont., Standard of Aug. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott are both known to a number of people in this city and vicinity:

"Take all thou hast and give to the government" is the paraphrase of the biblical instruction which the United States has been directing the people of the nation to obey in some degree, but the literal interpretation has been placed on the command and the instruction carried out to the letter by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Scott of 2506 South Main street, who have offered their all to the government.

They have both offered their services to the United States government as nurses and soon they intend to sell all their property, buy government bonds and leave for France whenever the call comes.

"We are alone in the world, and feel that it is the only thing for us to do," said Mrs. Scott. "We both have had experience as nurses and desire to give our experience to the nation. We will sell all our property about the city and we have considerable, buy bonds and go wherever and whenever wanted. Our only fear is that we will be refused, for we are both slightly over age."

Mr. Scott is assayer at the Clark mill, where he has been for more than 15 years. Both he and Mrs. Scott have had several years' practice in nursing in the east and for two years did nursing in Butte. Their applications have not been heard from yet.

Notices.

There are a lot of pictures, diplomas, etc., in my possession which were left with Chas. S. Foster for framing, which should be called for. They can be had by paying the charges on them.

Fred L. Warner, Trustee.

Viola Dana in "Opportunity", Metro play at Empress Saturday.

## LABOR DAY CELEBRATION WAS A BIG EVENT IN BELDING

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part of the day's activities which they had during the balance of the day.

A number of girls came along then carrying a service flag of the M. E. church which contained 24 stars, representing that many young men from that congregation who have gone to war.

Decorated autos driven by V. R. Brown, Paty Costello, Weas Porter and A. M. Eaves came next and were followed by the local company of the Boy Scouts. James Johnson followed them with the best decorated bicycle and George A. Hall driving the oldest horse in the parade. By the way, this was also the youngest, being the only horse entered and the judges had no trouble whatever in awarding the prize on this contest.

The rear of the parade was brought up by Alfred Moore carrying a truck so loaded full of the city's future men that it was almost overflowing.

Following the parade the races and contests were held on Main street on the pavement, in the city park and elsewhere. The results of which together with the awards of the prizes mentioned for the entries and contests which appeared in the parade are as follows:

Best decorated automobile: 1st, Mrs. Lee Cusser (Red Cross); 2nd, Wm. Coney; 3rd, Pat Costello; 4th, M. J. Warner; 5th, Carroll Ring.

Floats: 1st, Ollie Taft; 2nd, Jack Sager; 3rd, McLean O. E. Hammond; 4th, Frank Davis; 3rd, Carroll Ring.

Largest load in parade: Mrs. Lee Cusser (Red Cross).

Oldest horse—29 years old, Geo. H. Hall.

Bicycle race: 1st, Albert Stanton; 2nd, Albert Hensen; 3rd, J. Johnson.

Half mile race: 1st, Dan McMahon; 2nd, Gilman Moulton; 3rd, R. E. Hale.

Three-legged race: 1st, James Brown; 2nd, Bud Ranney; 3rd, Ivan Simmons, Ronald Costello.

Shoe race: 1st, Bud Ranney; 2nd, J. Johnson; 3rd, D. Dickens.

Canoe race, singles: 1st, Ted Waite; 2nd, Lee Maxwell; 3rd, Albert Henson.

Canoe doubles: 1st, Joe Gaunt, Lloyd Wilson; 2nd, Albert Stanton, Virgil Hicock.

Diving for distance: 1st, Joe Gaunt; 2nd, Ken Driese.

Tilting contest: 1st, Joe Gaunt, Lloyd Wilson; 2nd, Albert Stanton, Virgil Hicock.

Sack race: 1st, D. Dickens; 2nd, Dan McMahon.

Potato race: 1st, Henry Johnson; 2nd, James Brown; 3rd, Dan McMahon.

Man, monkey and frog: 1st, Bud Ranney; 2nd, F. Howard; 3rd, J. Brown.

Obstacle race: 1st, Dan McMahon; 2nd, F. Howard; 3rd, Bud Ranney.

Girls' 50-yard dash: 1st, Reah Benson; 2nd, Alice Bunce; 3rd, Eva Armmern.

Pie eating contest: 1st, J. Johnson; 2nd, Robt. Stein; 3rd, H. Johnson.

Doughnut contest: 1st, J. Johnson; 2nd, H. Miller.

Largest percentage of employees in parade, Dort Motor Car Co.

A large number of people took their dinners in the city park and saw the water attractions in the river there, while still other multitudes went home to regular house dinners.

The speakers in the afternoon were Postmaster W. F. Bricker, Superintendent S. J. Skinner of the local schools, who read President Wilson's Labor day proclamation and then Sergeant W. J. Myers of the famous Canadian Black Watch, whose 18 months in the front line trenches during the early days of the war, when the German hordes were pressing onward toward Paris, enabled him to graphically describe the life of the soldier at war in France.

Sergeant Myers told of enlisting, going across, getting into the trenches, hand-to-hand conflicts with the enemy and all the horrors of war as he had seen and experienced it. His talk was the plain talk of the soldier and there were no words in his speech which had to be later on looked up in the dictionary, but was plain and forceful and our only regret was that Myers could not have gone on longer with his interesting talk.

After he had finished talking many people from the crowd gathered to shake his hand and ask him questions about things across the big pond.

Sergeant Myers made a big hit and it is hoped that we will be able to get him back here again in the near future to give another talk. In addition to his work in the great war, Sergeant Myers, together with his cousin, Harry Underhill, who went in to the service at the same time with him and who was with him all during their service, being invalided home about the same time, has written a book, "Through The Gates of Hell to Ypres," which will shortly be placed on the market.

Sports, games and other attractions both on the pavement and at Leonard park furnished clean and wholesome amusement for the crowd and in the evening the Mardi Gras celebration was enjoyed by all. The capture of the kaiser and his subsequent burning on the vacant lot west of the Belrockton were witnessed by many who waited for that "something extra" without being disappointed.

The ball game at Leonard park at 4 o'clock in the afternoon between Moneray and Belding was a good one, with Father John A. Elch pitching and winning the admiration of all who saw the game. It resulted in a score of 9 to 4 in favor of Belding but was hotly contested throughout.

Take it all in all and everything into consideration the boys composing the various committees in charge of the day's doings, are to be praised for the parts they had in making the huge affair a success. They were also aided in their work by a corps of helpers who were unstinting in their efforts to promote the affair and make it a success.

Belding's Labor day celebration for 1918 will have to go down in history as being one of the best, if not the best gathering ever had in this city.

Charles Ray, the talented Paramount star at the Empress theater, Sunday and Monday.

## LONG LAKE

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wilson and daughters Kathryn and Pauline of Belding spent a week in the Burger cottage. Miss Eleanor Partridge of Grattan was their guest for a couple of days.

Another large crowd attended the dance last Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Smith, Miss Jessie Smith of Belding and Mrs. R. E. Anslow of Ionia spent last week at the lake.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sherwood and children, Evelyn and Josephine, and Mr. Sherwood's mother, Mrs. E. S. Sherwood of Orleans who have spent the past five weeks in the Hammond cottage, returned to their home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Longwell had as their guests over Sunday Mrs. John Huling and daughter, Grace, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wolfers and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Longwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie James returned to Ionia Wednesday after spending several weeks at the lake. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Culler of Chicago were their guests several days before they left.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wright and Jack, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snell and Doris and Miss Viola Bliss spent a couple of days last week in the Snell cottage.

The friends of Mrs. Ney Olmsted at Long Lake are grieved to learn of her serious illness.

Mrs. S. M. Downing and mother, Mrs. Mary E. Snyder spent several days in their cottage. Their guests for over Sunday were Mrs. A. L. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Insley and son Howard of Smyrna and Miss Ruth Brown of Belding.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howard were in their cottage over Sunday and Labor day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Halsted of Grand Ledge spent several days in their cottage and their guests over

Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. P. Blumely and daughters of Ionia and Mr. Smith of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. John Haberstumpf and daughter Luella were up for over Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Rector were in Kumonigin cottage over Sunday.

Mrs. Gara Caine and children spent several days in the Clark cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heth and children went to Grand Rapids Monday to spend the week.

Dr. Richard Benedict, wife and children, Mr. and Mrs. Van Morse spent Sunday and Monday on the Branch side.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stevenson and Rich, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Rich spent Labor day in the Perkins cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Sprague and children were in the Lookout cottage over Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. E. W. Merriett, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fisher and Gordon were in Alkemein cottage over Labor day.

To Care For Mother

Mrs. Thos. Saunders left Tuesday morning for Maple Rapids, where she will care for her mother, Mrs. Gladstone, who is sick for a time. The Maple Rapids Dispatch had the following to say recently about Mrs. Gladstone at the time a party was given there in her honor:

"The Aid Society of the Christian church helped Mrs. Catharine Gladstone to celebrate her 80th birthday. Nearly eighty of her friends met at

the Christian church, August 5th, at from 3 until 7 o'clock.

The day was exceedingly warm but these friends enjoyed meeting together and spent the time in visiting and listening to some excellent music furnished by the Maple Rapids Orchestra. Mrs. J. W. Smith, in behalf of the company presented the guest of honor a gift in a few well chosen words. Mrs. Gladstone, in her response expressed her appreciation and thankfulness for the love and kindness of her friends. At 5:30 the guests were invited to the dining room to partake of a bountiful banquet.

There was a profusion of flowers at each plate. The birthday cake was made by Mrs. Carrie Snyder and was a delight to the eye as well as to the taste. Each of the guests was given a piece of the cake with the wish of Mrs. Gladstone that all might enjoy their eightieth birthday in as happy manner." Mrs. Gladstone has made frequent trips to this city and has many friends here.

Woman Suffrage is Here.

Twelve states have suffrage for women on equal terms with men. Six other states have presidential suffrage for women and in two additional states women vote in the primaries.

These states control 213 electoral votes.

The U. S. is the only country except Germany which has not granted suffrage for her women. We do not want to be classed with the Huns.

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